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The applicants have provided a translation of reference BF (Merrifield) filed 28 April 2004 that was originally cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed 13 July 2001. The applicants were notified in the first action on the merits in the Notice of Allowance mailed 25 March 2004 that the Merrifield reference was not considered because it is in a foreign language and no translation was provided. In view of 37 CFR 1.97(f) the applicants are allowed to provide the translation to perfect the Information Disclosure Statement originally filed on 13 July 2001. Attached to this communication is a signed copy of the list of references indicating that Merrifield has been considered.

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